

## Annual Report for DEAR 2013

### Monetary

DEAR account at Alpine Bank, Grand Junction, Colorado

Jan. 1, 2013                    2,786

Dec. 31, 2013                2,086

There were two donations of \$50 originating from our web site. Expenditures included bank fees, educational committee costs, phone fees, and web site maintenance costs.

DEAR account with Edward Jones (Investment)

Jan. 1, 2013                    103,928

Dec. 31, 2013                116,772

Investment contribution was 15,521.

There was one donation of 2,000 made on 2/13.

We distributed 2,993 to Aprina Palmer on June 13, 2012, for her work on Tardigrades. Cost of tax preparation for 2012 was \$455, paid on 7/31. Robyn Parker was reimbursed for phone bills and educational materials. All income in this account can be attributed to investment activities.

### Fundraising

DEAR received \$193 from the Federal Combined Campaign and non from the Colorado Combined Campaign. We applied and were accepted to be recipients of the "1% for the planet" funding, but as now do not know the amount we will receive.

## Educational Activities

April 12 – Taught 58 third graders, from Lincoln OM elementary, about the desert. Spent the morning indoors with power point, short story, animal displays, etc. In the afternoon went to Bangs Canyon Trail head for a short hike where we talked about desert ecosystems.

April 18 – Had DEAR booth at “Community Action Day”. It was at the Center for Independence. Had about 20 people stop by.

April 20 – Booth at Earth Day. Along main street. Had about 50 people stop by.

April 27 – Booth at Heritage Days in Palisade. Has about 300 people stop by.

May 17 - Spent morning with 16 students from East Middle School talking about desert ecosystems. Later on (10-12) went outside and did food web and art with T shirts. In afternoon went on hike with 10 students up No Thoroughfare Canyon in Colo. Monument.

June 17 – DEAR booth at Bidder 70 movie. Has about 40 people stop by.

October 2 – Two one hour sessions with 90 7<sup>th</sup> graders each at Grand Mesa Middle School. Stephen did the first hour and Robyn did the 2<sup>nd</sup> hour. We spoke about the desert for the first 20 minutes or so, had the students visit one of three tables, (skulls, plants, taxidermied animals) where we gave a talk for 20 minutes and the last 20 minutes Robyn talked about not trashing the desert.